

Public Law 99-127  
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Joint Resolution

To designate the week beginning October 1, 1985, as "National Buy American Week".

Oct. 18, 1985

[S.J. Res. 194]

Whereas the Nation accumulated record merchandise trade deficits in 1982, 1983, and 1984, and a record deficit is predicted for 1985; Whereas we have become a debtor nation for the first time since the onset of World War I;

Whereas in many cases the prices of imported goods are artificially low because of illegal subsidies by foreign governments; and

Whereas record merchandise trade deficits cause loss of jobs, loss of productivity, loss of tax revenues, and a decline in the American standard of living: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the week beginning October 1, 1985, hereby is designated "National Buy American Week", and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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